SENATE RESOLUTION 94

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to elect Jeff Puckett to the nominating commission to select candidates for the director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-101, establishes a commission whose duty it is to nominate three candidates of experience and ability in the detection of crime, whenever the governor is called upon to appoint the director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI); and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-101, directs the Speaker of the Senate to select two persons, one from each political party, to serve as members of the TBI nominating commission, such persons to be elected by resolution of the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senate Speaker Randy McNally has nominated Jeff Puckett, Director of Investigations for the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, to serve a full six-year term of office as a member of the TBI nominating commission; and

WHEREAS, as Director of Investigations for the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Mr. Puckett leads a team of investigators who support Comptroller auditors and Tennessee citizens by uncovering fraud, waste, and abuse in government; he and his staff ensure that a timely and thorough investigation is performed when a possible criminal violation has occurred; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Puckett joined the Comptroller's Office after a thirty-four-year career with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI); he worked as a special agent for sixteen years on a variety of investigations, including white-collar financial crimes, political corruption, and numerous violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Puckett was the special agent in charge of the Middle Tennessee field division for six years, and he retired from the TBI after serving as the bureau's deputy director for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, he is a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University, from which he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice, and the FBI National Academy; he is currently completing his Master of Professional Studies degree at Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Puckett is a man of integrity and an active citizen who has always sought to serve the common good; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that this body elects Jeff Puckett of Franklin to serve a six-year term of office as a member of the TBI nominating commission, such term to commence immediately and to expire on January 1, 2028.

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